



Reading 2003, Grade 4

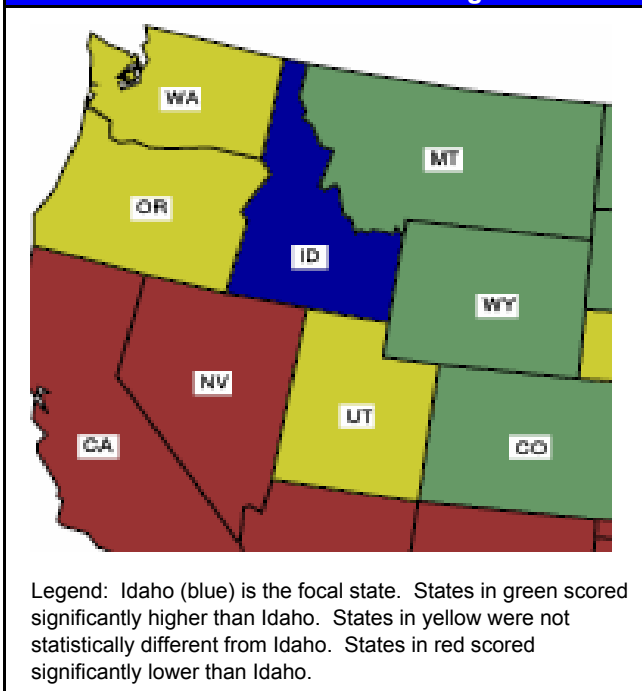
Reading Composite

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The Reading assessment of the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) used multiple-choice and constructed-response questions to examine reading comprehension in two contexts: Reading for Literary Experience and Reading to Be Informed. The reading scale scores ranged from 0 to 500, where 208 is a *Basic* performance, 238 is *Proficient*, and 268 is *Advanced*.

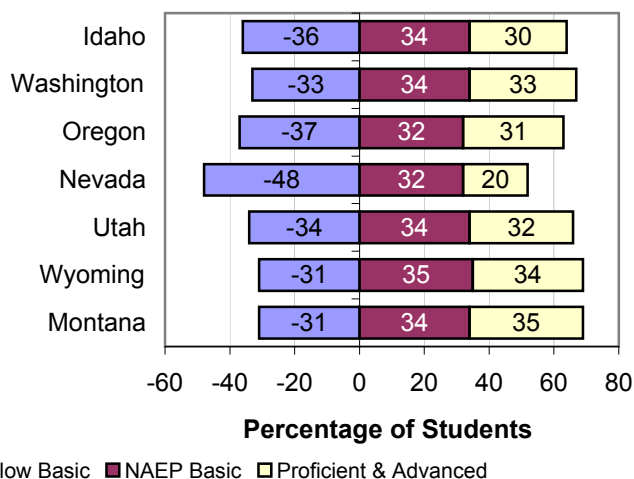
Reading in the Northwest (Average Scale Score)



- ◆ In 2003, the average reading scale score for 4th grade students in Idaho was 218. This was not significantly different from students across the nation (216).
- ◆ Idaho 4th graders had a higher average reading scale score in 2003 than their peers in Nevada.
- ◆ Idaho 4th graders had an average reading scale score in 2003 that was not significantly different from Washington, Oregon, or Utah.
- ◆ Idaho 4th graders had a lower average reading scale score in 2003 than their peers in Montana and Wyoming.

Percentage of Students at NAEP Reading Achievement Levels

- ◆ 64% of Idaho 4th graders scored at or above *Basic* on the 2003 reading assessment. This was not different from the nation's 62%.
- ◆ Idaho had a higher percentage of 4th graders than Nevada at or above *Basic* on the 2003 reading assessment.
- ◆ The percentage of Idaho 4th graders at or above *Basic* on reading in 2003 was not different from Washington, Oregon, Utah, and Wyoming.
- ◆ Idaho had a lower percentage of 4th graders than Montana at or above *Basic* on the 2003 reading assessment.



Comparisons are based on statistical tests (.05 level) that consider magnitude of difference and standard errors.
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